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DECISION ON PETITION FOR SUSPENSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(a)

This is a decision on petition for suspension of action by Office filed **March 14, 2012** under 37 CFR § 1.103(a) for a period of six (6) months. This request is accompanied by a showing of good and sufficient cause for the suspension of action, as well as the fee set forth in § 1.17(g).

This petition is **DISMISSED**.

§ 1.103 Suspension of action by the Office.

(a) Suspension for cause. On request of the applicant, the Office may grant a suspension of action by the Office under this paragraph for good and sufficient cause. The Office will not suspend action if a reply by applicant to an Office action is outstanding. Any petition for suspension of action under this paragraph must specify a period of suspension not exceeding six months. Any petition for suspension of action under this paragraph must also include:

- (1) A showing of good and sufficient cause for suspension of action; and
- (2) The fee set forth in § 1.17(g), unless such cause is the fault of the Office.

In this case, Applicant states as cause “determine the commercialability of example embodiments of the present invention” and “to accumulate and prepare the necessary evidence for proper presentation to the Examiner for consideration.” Applicant’s cause have been fully considered, Instant application claims priority to provisional application 60/557,405 filed March 30, 2004. However, Applicant fails to show how the time from earliest filing date March 30, 2004 to the present (approximately eight (8) years) is not sufficient time to determine the commercialability of example embodiments of the present invention and to accumulate and prepare the necessary evidence for proper presentation to the Examiner for consideration. Thus, the cause presented is not deemed “good and sufficient”.

For the reasons above mentioned this petition is **dismissed**.

Any inquiry regarding this decision should be directed the undersigned whose telephone number is (571) 272-3902. If attempts to reach the undersigned by telephone are unsuccessful, Christopher Grant, Quality Assurance Specialist, can be reached at (571) 272-7294.

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